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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) <u>A system System for checking security</u> features of a document of value in areas of different security categories, comprising:

at least one sensor;

in dependence on the security category, different sensor parameters are provided for the respective checking of the security feature, so as to enable checking of the same security feature in different ways for checking security features of a document of value comprising at least two checking apparatuses, the checking apparatuses being assigned to areas with different security categories and comprising at least one sensor, respectively, wherein the checking apparatuses, in dependence of the security category, provide different sensor parameters for checking the security feature with the at least one sensor, respectively, so as to check the same security feature in different ways, and wherein in areas of a lower security category the checking includes a check of a property of the security feature and only in areas with a higher security category the same property of the security feature is checked with a higher accuracy.

Claim 2. (Canceled).

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1, wherein, for checking with different sensor parameters, said at least one sensor comprises differently designed sensors with different measuring parameters.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1, wherein, for checking with different sensor parameters, said at least one sensor comprises sensors of the same design with the same measuring parameters, but different evaluation parameters.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) <u>The system System</u> according to claim 1, wherein the at least one sensor comprises a security device, enabling checking of an authorization to use.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 5,

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wherein the security device enables an authorization by means of a solid-state storage

medium.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein, in dependence on the security category, different sensor parameters are

activated.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein, for checking the document of value, both the checking of a higher and the

checking of a low security category are carried out.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein a forgery adaptation of the sensor parameters of the at least one sensor of a

lower security category is carried out on the basis of checking results of the sensing of

a higher security category.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 9,

wherein measured data of not-accepted documents of value are either or both stored in

a sensor of a higher security category and used for the forgery adaptation.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein a checking of luminescent substances as security feature is carried out.

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 11,

wherein in areas with a lower security category in comparison to areas with a higher

security category, the luminescence radiation is checked in a different way.

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 11,

wherein, in areas with a lower security category, an envelope of the spectral course of

the security feature is checked and only in areas with a higher security category the

spectral course is checked with a higher spectral resolution, so as to determine

substructures of the envelope.

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 11,

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wherein, only when checking in areas with a higher security category, a spectral

separation is effected.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 11,

wherein, in areas with different security categories, the decay behaviour of the

luminescence radiation is determined in different ways.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein the documents of value have the security feature in the form of a coding, so

as to be able to differentiate between different documents of value, and the at least

one sensor comprises sensors of a lower security category which are adapted to only

check [[the]] an existence or a non-existence of a known coding, and sensors of a

higher security category which alone are adapted to check [[the]] a special kind of

coding.

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein said at least one sensor comprises a single sensor for checking the document

of value, said single sensor adapted to carry out both the checking of a higher and the

checking of a lower security category.

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein in a cash machine [[the]] an acceptability of documents of value is enabled

only on [[the]] a basis of the checking of a lower security category.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) The system System according to claim 1,

wherein either or both measured data of a sensor for checking security features of the

document of value are used for forgery adaptation and measured data of the sensor are

transmitted to an external facility.

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Claim 20. (New) The system for checking security features of a document of value in areas of different security categories, comprising:

at least one sensor;

in dependence on the security category, different sensor parameters are provided for the respective checking of the security feature, so as to enable checking of the same security feature in different ways;

wherein either or both measured data of a sensor for checking security features of the document of value are used for forgery adaptation and measured data of the sensor are transmitted to an external facility.